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Salt Based On Aspartame And Acesulfame*

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Dear Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97 *et seq.*, Applicant hereby submits the attached Form(s) PTO/SB/08A and the references listed thereon. The relevancy of each reference is disclosed in the attached European Search Report.

Applicant certifies, pursuant to Rule 1.97 (e), each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

This submission does not represent an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." Applicant respectfully requests that each reference be reviewed and made of record in the instant application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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